

The Files - RD-125, Task Order 7

3 December 1958

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Possible Delay in Receiver Delivery

1. On 24 November 1958 [REDACTED] Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, advised by telephone that a possibility existed that his company would be unable to deliver the four RA/11 receivers scheduled for completion in December, due to a delay in parts procurement. Since we had already released our delivery requirements which originally called for the delivery of all 12 receivers being obtained under this task during December, [REDACTED] was asked to contact his suppliers and find out exactly what steps could be taken to avoid further delay in delivery.

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2. On 25 November 1958 [REDACTED] Manager for our program advised by telephone that several factors were contributing to [REDACTED] concern about the delivery and described the steps being taken in each instance. According to [REDACTED] the biggest problem is the receiver case which is being obtained from the [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] says that this company has an excellent delivery record, it is begging off on its 15 December 1958 delivery date due to a mistake made at the foundry which ruined the first set of castings. [REDACTED] is traveling to this company to determine if the spoiled casting can be repaired and to impress upon them the urgency of our program.

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3. The [REDACTED] is fabricating the tuners for the RA/D-11. Although no delivery problems have arisen, the first sample will not be received until 5 December 1958 and Mr. [REDACTED] points this out as another possible cause of delay if anything is wrong with the Maurer tuner.

4. The [REDACTED] is providing the special counter required by the RA/D-11 and is scheduled to deliver on 15 December 1958. [REDACTED] is now checking with [REDACTED] to confirm its delivery schedule.

5. [REDACTED] said that he and [REDACTED] would try to circumvent what had been a perennial problem at [REDACTED] that of having incoming material delivered promptly to the Engineering Department. He blamed union troubles for this delay and said that [REDACTED] would try to smuggle the completed cases, tuners and counters into the plant in a briefcase. He said that if everything clicked, delivery of the first four receivers would be made as planned at the end of December, but if any of the above difficulties materialized, delivery would be delayed no later than 15 January 1959.

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